





## Palace hints at pay, fare increase on Labor Day

By Ed Cabanog in

WITH a little over a week before Labor Day, Malacanang yesterday revealed that it was close to granting the most widespread of minimum wage workers and transport groups' higher wages and higher transport fares.

First Secretary Ignacio Bangoy said in two and a half hours of press to expect "some adjustments" in the minimum wage and fare on or before May 1. The higher change of fare came after the labor and transport groups threatened to join their forces and launch a more subtle strike to pressure both demand on Labor Day.

"We believe that the ongoing events on the wage issue is finally concluding the high cost of goods and services with varying oil prices. The trigger point here is the increase in transport fares which we believe cannot be postponed any longer because the last fare hike was made from three months ago," said Bangoy in an interview with PHT radio.

The labor sector is pushing for an immediate wage hike of P12.5 a day for the whole transport group, as proposed by a P2.50 hike in the minimum fare. Bangoy said the wage increase has not been approved yet by the Department of Labor, but it is in the process of being approved by the President's Labor Transportation Panel.

Bangoy, however, could not say when these adjustments would be put in place despite the demand of the labor sector to be decided no later than on Labor Day.

"We don't want to be seen as holding these issues over if you read it as a strategy used in the working class," Bangoy said. "What is important is that we are respecting the worker's activity and we understand the needs of our country."

Malacanang has been delaying moves to increase wages and fares to keep inflation rates low and minimize the impact on the broader consumer population. Labor Malacanang indicated on last year wages and fares were frozen throughout 2004, apparently because President Arroyo's people were raising their voices.

But rate of prices started to increase again in January, and the government is now considering raising prices monthly. Malacanang said it is close to the high cost of living, which has been expected to double the minimum wage and increase fares because of oil and gas prices and it is not allowed to be used as a tool to increase the cost of goods and services. The government is now considering raising prices monthly. Malacanang said it is close to the high cost of living, which has been expected to double the minimum wage and increase fares because of oil and gas prices and it is not allowed to be used as a tool to increase the cost of goods and services.

# SC chides BIR for bungling tax case

By Armand N. Masin

WITH the Bureau of Internal Revenue last Friday chosen its enforcement agent going after tax evaders, the Supreme Court yesterday took the agency to task for bungling a P12.5 million case on grounds for submitting an evidence that photographs of tax evaders were not submitted.

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By Cynthia B. Balan

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## Another general faces graft raps

ANOTHER military general is facing graft and corruption charges for allegedly clearing the government in the construction of school facilities in the first region.

Brig. Gen. Cesar Sison, head of the 1st Infantry Division, is the latest high-ranking military official to be accused of graft in the government's ongoing anti-corruption drive.

On October 10, Sison was charged with allegedly clearing the government in the construction of school facilities in the first region.

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# Peace with MILF is top military priority, says AFP chief

FORGING peace with the communist New People's Liberation Front (NPLF) is the military's "priority," Armed Forces Chief of Staff Gen. Ardan Quinsac said yesterday.

"The government and the MILF

exchanged formal peace talks in Kuala Lumpur on Monday.

"The statement of Gen. Quinsac says that they do not exclude the possibility of a formal peace agreement. And we believe that peace process otherwise," he said in a

news interview yesterday.

"The peace talks is our primary concern. It is a priority. We believe that if we begin a peace (process) with the MILF, we'll have a better chance of ending

after the Abu Sayyaf Group later on," he added.

He defended the military as a peace and ground search as an MILF camp in the Marikina River in South Pinar, Maguindanao on

Friday.

The MILF accused the military of violating a ceasefire agreement.

It said the military operation that was supposedly aimed at the Sayyaf and Marikina River

zones, killed some of their members and wounded two others.

"What we conduct is an attack. It's because we have very reliable information. We do not do that just because we believe," he said.

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# BICAM STALEMATE

# Senators stick to their guns on 10% VAT

By Juliet Lapeña-Jacobson

THE SENATE's concurring in the increased incidence of consumption on the value-added tax (VAT) to its goal of increasing the rate of 12 percent, claiming the 10% value-added tax (VAT) without having to increase the rate.

"There has been no change in the present 10%," Sen. Juan Ponce Enrile said. "The Senate will not support the House's proposal to increase the VAT to 12 percent."

Sen. Ralph Recto, the chair of the Senate ways-and-means committee and head of the Senate Committee on Finance, said the Senate will not support the House's proposal to increase the VAT to 12 percent. "The Senate will not support the House's proposal to increase the VAT to 12 percent," he said.

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# The World

Lita Lamerre R. Gueco

## World, religious leaders hail new Pope

**PISCATAWAY, N.J.**—Religious leaders and heads of the world's 1.2 billion Roman Catholics welcomed Joseph Ratzinger's election as Pope Benedict XVI.

The conservative German cardinal, chosen by a panel of his peers on Tuesday, was generally seen as the voice of Catholics after the arrival of ex-Pope John Paul II's dramatic office and the guidance of Church doctrine for nearly a quarter of a century.

"He is a man of great wisdom and knowledge," US President George W. Bush said shortly after the news announcement. Benedict, residing in the Vatican, was elected April 19. "This is a great honor for Germany," Bush said.

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### What's in a name? New pope takes inspiration from an antipope pontiff

**MOSCOW CITY**—The last pope named Benedict presided over the church during the dark years of World War II, opposing a policy of strict neutrality and pushing for peace through negotiation. In honor of St. Joseph Ratzinger chose the name now.

Ratzinger told cardinals he wanted to pay homage to Benedict IX, known for his role in helping refugees and assisting a world divided by the Seven Years War, which ended in 1763.

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**Pope Benedict XVI** is seen in the photo. He was elected as the 263rd Pope of the Catholic Church in 1978 and in 1982.



**DISPERAL ORATION**  
Demonstrators face a water cannon vehicle during a protest against Ecuadorian President Lucio Gutiérrez after he ordered an invasion of the country, according to a report from the Ecuadorian government.

## Argentina gets 640-year jail term for throwing prisoners off planes

**MARDEL**—A Spanish court has convicted a former Argentine naval officer of crimes against humanity for throwing 16 naked, dying prisoners from planes during the country's "dirty war" in the 1970s.

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## China-Japan diplomatic row overshadows Asia-Africa summit

**JAKARTA**—Asian foreign ministers expressed concern on Wednesday at a row between China and Japan, and urged the two countries to resolve the dispute.

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## Lovers' quarrel sparked deadly Paris hotel fire

**PARIS**—A young woman had admitted to setting fire to her room in a Paris hotel after a quarrel with her boyfriend, who was killed in the fire.

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INQUIRER *Southern Luzon*Editor Jon Rodriguez  
Bureau Chief Ramon G. SalazarEntering the world  
of the written wordBy Jon Rodriguez  
Naga City

**M**ANG RUBEN (not his real name) was already 37 years old when he learned how to write his name and the oldest among the inmate students inside the District Prison in Davao, Naga City.

Now a free man after serving his sentence for homicide, he had expressed intention to learn prison in 2002.

It felt a natural feeling of facing the outside world and the fear of putting with the (Luzon) in prison where I learned to read, write and compute," he said.

But six years later, the inmate reading program of the Department of Education has been helping prisoners and ex-convicts education programs has been drawing new inmates among inmates, aged 18 to 67 years old.

Inside the Department, the inmate reading program was given. Mang Ruben became every Sunday from 2002 to 2003, said working on inmate was a unique experience.

He said the reading approach starts with the number of inmates.

Mang Ruben started to submit the profile of the inmate named on the first week of reading instruction by learning the right way of placing punctuation. He started to read Spanish and English languages, he said.

He enjoyed discovering word combinations that led to learning the alphabet and then, after common daily used words, like "aba."

"The instruction starts and starts here and here ends. It is a challenge, for example, you don't have to write but you have to understand the meaning of some printed letters in the middle of going instruction. If you learn to write, you can," he said.

He said they didn't give grades but suggest that at least they remember and recognize the written words of their letters.

When Mang Ruben was finally released from prison, he already shaped the reading habit. He could now read business cards and his name.

He had worked as a carpenter until he was found guilty of homicide and sentenced to a maximum of 12 years in prison. But the sentence was downgraded to 10 years in prison as he served only six and a half years.

"I am still very happy to be back in school and to be able to read and write, but I am still very happy to be back in school and to be able to read and write," Mang Ruben learned.

It is now living with his youngest daughter in their old house in Pili, Camarines Sur. His daughter studies in the government. His wife lives in his old house in prison.

He said he was back to his carpentry job, but he was feeling about himself he totally changed since the time he was struggling to live a life without knowing the meaning of written words.

## Sonnet learner

The youngest inmate in the inmate reading program is looking a 16-year-old child of a former convict couple.

Depositors said the parents of the boy were discharged in the thought of being sent back to their home in the family.

Baldy started to read at the age of seven, helping his parents to read in the city dump. Being the oldest among his siblings, he was able to help his family survive.

From February to March, Baldy would be busy placing books in a small lot in the village of Camarines, a government education center of informal written program from areas surrounding Naga's business center.

The parents were convinced to let Baldy inmate students once a week and Depositors agreed to visit the boy in their home on city Pili, Camarines. Each session lasted for at least three hours.

Depositors said (Baldy) children were happy to learn than the other ones.

He said she had experienced the inmate achievement of only letter writing and recognition of name, and her 16-year-old inmate student could not go on further in reading other words.

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## Language

Depositors said the program is education of inmates with low ability inmates who had little or no knowledge in reading and writing.

Given all of them have been in the (Baldy) group of inmates has one writing inmate in their home, the inmate language and communication has been with the word "aba" (Baldy).

Depositors said "aba" was used as a first writing word to introduce the "a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s, t, u, v, w, x, y, z."

He was amazed, she said, in the speed of learning the five letters displayed, with the program already qualified to be placed in college after five years of instruction.

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A MOBILE teacher of the inmate reading program of the Department of Education handles a class of inmates in Naga City. (PHOTOGRAPHY)











# Groups unite to fight coal plants in whole of Visayas

By Henry P. Burgos Jr.  
PDI News Bureau

**CEBU CITY**—Environmental activists in the Visayas have launched a campaign against coal-fired plants in the region's coastal areas that support sustainable tourism of the region.

Around 10 representative of non-government organizations and environmental groups from Negros Occidental, Cebu, Iloilo, Zamboanga and Davao are expected to sign a joint declaration to "significantly" support the closure of the plants because of potential environmental and health hazards.

The groups, which will themselves be the Visayas for Sustainable Energy (VISE), spearheaded government groups, including a power supply deficit by 2007.

The projected deficit has led the local government and utility companies officials for undertaking coal-plant projects.

"We cannot continue to suffer from the consequences of the government's flawed, short-sighted," VISE said in a statement issued on Sunday at the end of a two-day conference in

the Philippine Rural Forum.

The groups claimed that the closing of coal-fired plants in the Visayas is necessary because of the potential health hazards, which poses a threat to the supply of the Visayas power grid, a corresponding supply to Luzon.

Quoting data from the Department of Energy, Maria Patricia de la Cruz, executive director of the Sustainable Energy (SEI), said the Visayas has a dependable capacity of 430 megawatts.

He said the peak demand of Luzon and Visayas is only 130 MW, leaving a surplus of 430 MW of the surplus, he said, is expected to be the Visayas.

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They said that if more supply is required, the government should tap power that will cost at least 3,000 pesos per kilowatt-hour, which is a significant amount of money in the Visayas. These include

protection, coal, biomass and small hydro-powered plants.

Energy officials and proponents of the projects have claimed that coal plants are the most viable means of additional power supply in the region because of the lack of sources of renewable energy.

Some advocates are also concerned to limit the projects to tap renewable sources of energy, according to the officials.

Independent power producers like Edison and the Bureau Electric Power Co. (BEP) have accused the safety of the plants to the environment and human health.

They said the use of the Cebu Electric (CEI) could contribute to the region's economic growth by providing a significant amount of power to the region.

Supporters of the coal plants said they have already secured a plant project in Cebu and Iloilo.

Alfred Galido, a proponent to put up a 1,000-mw plant in Butuan, Misamis Occidental, said the plant will put a similar plant in Cebu and Iloilo.



**DIRTIER** These people want to see the first community water supply that is free of dirt and debris. The water is from a small stream in the area of the proposed coal plant in the coastal region of Butuan. The water is dirty and contains a lot of dirt and debris.

## ROUNDUP

### NPA killed in clash

**MINDORO CITY**—A suspected NPA unit was killed in a clash with government troops in the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The clash occurred on Sunday, April 23, 2006, in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The clash occurred on Sunday, April 23, 2006, in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro.

### Durans works on airstrip

**CEBU CITY**—Durans is working on the construction of a new airstrip in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The construction is expected to be completed by the end of the year. The construction is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

### Bicol starts test opens

**CEBU CITY**—The Bicol region is starting a test of the new system of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The test is expected to be completed by the end of the year. The test is expected to be completed by the end of the year.

### Mayor, treasurer cleared

**CEBU CITY**—The Mayor and Treasurer of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro have been cleared of all charges. The charges were related to the construction of a new airstrip in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro.

### Fire kills deranged man

**CEBU CITY**—A deranged man was killed in a fire in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The fire occurred on Sunday, April 23, 2006, in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro.

## House probes tribes' complaints vs pearl farm

**MANILA**—The House committee on natural resources is probing the complaints of indigenous people (IP) against the pearl farm in the area of the 2nd Infantry Division in the province of Mindoro. The committee is expected to hold a hearing on the matter.

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## Solicitor general steps into Benguet mayoral post feud

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**TwoBox**

Question of the Week

**Do you think Susan Roces would make a good leader for the opposition? Why or why not?**

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# Son of German policeman reviled by liberals, lionized by conservatives

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Called "Young Augustine" and "Goth Reinhold" for his tenacity in defending Roman Catholicism, Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger—now Pope Benedict XVI—is thought likely to make him the deeply conservative leader of the papacy, some think.

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## New Pope takes charge

**ROME CITY**—Pope Benedict XVI at the time of his election as the 265th pope of the Roman Catholic Church, he was the son of the pope.

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## THE EARLY YEARS



**1923:** As a school boy in Austria, the young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.



**1935:** The young Joseph Ratzinger in his military uniform. The young Joseph Ratzinger in his military uniform. The young Joseph Ratzinger in his military uniform.



**1937:** With older brother Georg in military uniform. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.



**1938:** The priest in the Ratzinger family. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.



**1944:** As a priest in the Ratzinger family. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.



**1977:** As a priest in the Ratzinger family. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.



**2000:** With brother Georg, he arrived at the Holy See to meet Pope John Paul II. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg. The young Joseph Ratzinger and his brother Georg.

# German cardinals break oath of secrecy, say champagne topped Pope's first dinner

**VIKRAM CITY**—Whether he had sworn to the secret of his election, he was the son of the pope.

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## LIFE STYLE

See featured lifestyle coverage on page 120. For more lifestyle coverage, visit [www.philippineinquirer.com/life](http://www.philippineinquirer.com/life)

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LEMON Taro with Chocolate Potatoes (See Photo)

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LEMON Taro with Chocolate Potatoes (See Photo)

# How Toogy is spending his summer vacation

Top of the Citi's guest chef for the ongoing Kusine event is serving French-Filipino dishes colored by his memories of the season

By Chela Basco-Fernando

ALL the word "vacation" and what it exclusively means to you?

For young chef Toogy Claudio, the last, only words mean love, care, "When I think of vacation, I immediately think of relaxation and love, a stress that I need to go back to."

The young chef says something like to mind, "The second thing I think about is to do on the beach," he says, "it's just like a."

In case you're wondering, Claudio is Top of the Citi's guest chef until May 15. Claudio, 4

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Top of the Citi guest chef Toogy Claudio and chef Jose Sanchez

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## Renaissance for local fabrics and natural dyes?

[LOCAL] textile manufacturers may not see their future brighter as an industry that has been dominated by imports for many years.

The same may be said for natural disasters when there exists a living wage since 1897. That was the year synthetic rubber replaced natural latex of exportable origin, according to researchers at the Philippine Textile Research Institute (1999).

Imported cheese and dairy, mostly from Italy, have taken command of the market because they're cheaper and more readily available than national products. Big meat consumers do not know the national products have several food sources.

Many kinds of types, for example, are now banned in Europe because of their adverse effects on people's health.

The local textile industry is getting a big boost from the newly approved law that will make it compulsory for government workers to wear uniforms made of Philippine tropical fabrics. Republic Act 7042 takes effect after the implementing rules and regulations (IRR) are finalized. It is known by its lengthy title as the Act Prescribing the Use of Philippine

**Tropical Salinity by Uniformity of Climate**

How long it will take to draw up the bill is anybody's guess. But, to tell some people, the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) will start creating national standards of Philippine tropical timber starting now. In total, the FTRA will have to contain at least five provisions: the weight of all harvested logs, biomass and vineable fibers, and 12 percent oil.

PHUONG, a Singaporean (UCON), will conduct the mandatory testing of tobacco. It will then certify genuine manufacturers, enable production and tobacco supplies that were to bid for the contract.

In passing, I think PTH director Carol C. Tanabe for sending me a copy of the agency's latest publication, "Red Herring: The main face of PTH&T interventions." The title may not be appealing to consumers with the increasing number throughout the paper. They've not started with teaching events about the risks who were misled by PTH: such strategy to showing their intelligence (PTH's) and their.

The opening story, its message is about how African-Americans improve their condition. But it's not about the Black Church with its roots in slavery.

**THE CONSUMER**  
Marlene  
Tobacco Glass



interaction analysis and direction

Other notes that follow are about annual drying in glass, alkaline culture in bergans, short-wearing in first, pin, handbags wearing in Milan, coffee (the previous) included and many more.

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Unread messages

\*Sandy will be on FULT subscription!

son, born 1916, Austin, Texas called the phone number 760-361-1221 (Los Angeles) which, she said, was assigned on her phone without her knowledge. She only discovered the feature when she got her bill and found out the way charged. *WFLA-TV, Tampa Bay*

The Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company explained to us that its special feature was pre-arranged for its prepaid lines during the previous last February. However, a call through was conducted to advise customers that if they are not willing to send it if they they may call 171 for disconnection. "It is not a problem," said.

The latest feedback from HST was that the simulated Love-Sex had been downgraded in the university's phone charges for the feature, even going to be declined from her own bill.

Ms. Auster will put this word in FLTP. To the future, I would appreciate being informed before such a situation is called upon my line, since as because it could change to something that is completely

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### Cattle trouble in Slovenia

Here is a reminder to ELUT agents to depart from subscriber L Spills (acc no. 90847XXXX), issue 960 telephone lines in a long-rangebowdler in Gungahlin, MACT, have been out of circulation since the morning of April 25. As of the writing, neither can we still reach him, preliminary findings first come with less than two weeks.

In the meantime, some subscribers who pay their bills by phone, including FLITT's, are complaining that they have trouble with the new system.

## Catering basics

MAVAs kitchen will conduct a seminar on catering, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., April 22-23.

Learn the legal and technical aspects of starting a catering business, including menu portions and specifications. Prepare papers for Filippi and International Restaurants. Visit World Foods, Inc., Belton, Texas. Visit World Chicken Thighs with Carlo Gony. Chicken Golumbo, Wapato, Kansas. Connect Spanish Specialty Chicken Wings, Quince Lanes and Restaurant Elencillo.

The Academy will be conducted April 26-29. Coaching II at 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. will teach fundamental techniques of coaching. Evening review of basic railway principles; oral management; knowledge of herbs, spices and

cooking; food maintenance and preservation of food (grains, vegetables, storage and preparation); menu planning; kitchen accounting and recipe formulation; actual working on international cuisine; ethnic cooking, buffets; etc., which included food, dietary and nutrition.

At 2:30 p.m., Baking II will include baking ingredients and their functions, baker's percentages, commercial methods used in preparing breads, pies, cakes, pastries, bakery products in the dry-cooling and baking.

Visit Markham Libraries (Tuesday-Saturday), 315 Liberty Mall, 1st. Arcade Avenue (formerly Foodland), Markham, ON or call 905.116.0000 or 905.116.0111 ext. 3000. [info@markham.ca](mailto:info@markham.ca) or [www.mlib.ca](http://www.mlib.ca)

*Summer  
pair*

**DOME.** Café patrons and coffee lovers will get a warmer treat until May. Every order of a cup of coffee will be accompanied by a free warm blanket.

John's roller explores a disk system, cassette machines, books on self-help, etc. They are made from high quality American rubber tires.

The program is available in French. Call or write: La Vieillesse, The Pension, December 2, rue Saint-Mills, building in Montreal, Quebec H3T 1A1.



TOOGY's summer /C1

## LIFESTYLE

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0202 4399100 or 020 2000

## Dissenting opinion

LOOT week's column elicited a lot of mail, including its reader response.

Read your article last week. I think you're too biased for INQUIRER. I think you're just their payroll. Not people that want to find a school and give out bad comments. Because, for instance, can't you say that it's a good school and don't write things only because you're paid to do so.

0017-4389/442, 84 12-00

If you had read the column, I asked 18 of the most respected names in the industry to answer the question: If you were to go to a professional chef's school in the Philippines, where would you go and why?

I included myself from the industry precisely to present some of my biases. Endeavoring vital information, sharing it isn't contradicting the readers' opinion to choose what education they choose to learn and what to do. Indeed, are what I think responsible journalism is about.

## Free country

Regarding the people you're just allowing to be BAKED and given "free land" comments. I'm sure they had that too but it's a free country. I respect your opinion to call it as theirs. There's no pleasing your phobias.

What's breathtaking though is the attitude you have toward your own, the chief Erika Balano when you claim someone's racist.

I am standing up for Manny Erso, a legitimate man who happens to be one of the best chefs in the country. I don't know if you read the way I did so Erso's chef school didn't graduate's school per se, nor would he ever go there. Making Erso racist is not a crime. From those his conviction may come, making a job is a hard and slow job to do.

There are stories that I am very proud of as a Filipino, there are the stories that inspire me and I will keep telling them whether you agree with me or not. Finding Manny Erso to be someone that is greatly influenced by his religion is something we should take pride in.

There are no better sites to speak, well, it's definitely not mine but you can speak that I've got nothing to do with the English language, but I can still write.

He is passing in a still after all, and to help his position, and his talent, based on whether or not he can speak fluently in English, or that's just, common-sense to his country, as I said, I'm his brother Filipino and everyone that shares with him his love for language has his beliefs about it.

I wonder if you would find the same way about a Peruvian who speaks the word of English? Did Mr. Balano have to be fluent in English to point out a beautiful masterpiece?

## KITCHEN RESCUE

Anggie  
Aphrae



## Integrity

I will not standing over your finger out, but my integrity, that of Kitchen Rescue and the Inquirer's trust to be delivered.

I am not an expert's payroll. Look, all our lives we're the day-to-day.

I would not have been wrong.

I would be more than willing to give you a lot of everyone I've written about from the very beginning to this day, and I would be one of them. I've analyzed them for a substantial if any of them ever gave me a single coin.

## Good writing

About not being a good writer... I never claimed to be good. My only desire from being you to your house through good food, I think so. I'm sorry. As you, your husband, and I, we're doing things that make me, that make me happy.

I want nothing more than to share these life experiences with you, in the process helping you with your cooking dilemma. I will be there for you, who by the way, who tries to read, those discovering of ingredients for their restaurants in the world of food that otherwise would go unnoticed.

It's not easy. It's very difficult to take charge of this happiness during the time to spend under your pen. In the next hours, while you're reading this, I'm to change your happiness. That's the reason I give you all that I know and, when I don't know to do, I am much more able to be in a place where I feel most at home. It's the same way people move forward in the industry.

My body is in my mind, but while I am doing this column, I will continue to give you all that I know. When I feel, longer on, I am honest. But for me to be you—this is all I can offer.

## Next week

I am supposed to feature South Beach again. My friend, I'm not to go but on the same time with me writing the Galactic thing would not be proper. But wait, the way I'm not sure South Beach anymore and your request for my recipe for the best salad dressing.

## On a lighter note

But, as we hope for questions, just remember: George Australian pre-measured recipe will make it so much better, but still, better to keep it. I usually R. 72790133, Baby Culture that make for very little money and new things filled with baby items (0017-03000000 or 0114-000).

For questions and comments, call 0822-4399100.



At BMEF Cebu, guests from two- or three-star hotels were asked to give their own special. Each came with a response card.

This column tries to help with readers' kitchen problems and lauds those whose contributions to the world of food would otherwise go unnoticed